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For: OPTICAL FIBER COMPOSITE AND OPTICAL FIBER CABLE AND
PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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To ensure that these references are available to the Examiner we are providing copies. The relevance of reference U.S. Patent No. 5,894,537 and T. Naito, et al., "1 Terabit/s WDM

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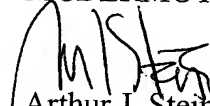
Transmission over 10,000 km, " ECOC '99, PD2-1, 1999 is discussed in the present specification.

Acknowledgement and consideration of these documents are respectfully requested.



Respectfully submitted,

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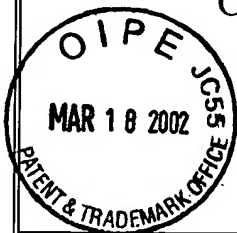
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5,894,537	04/13/1999	Berkey et al.			

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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	T. Naito, et al., "1 Terabit/s WDM Transmission over 10,000 km," ECOC'99, PD2-1, 1999 (prior Art cited in the Specification)
	Relating U.S. Patent Application 09/736,236, filed December 15, 2000, Docket No.: 50212-164. Title of the Invention: Optical Fiber Transmission Line and Optical Cable Including the Same <i>- Now U.S. 6421484.pn.</i>

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